

# **NORTH LITTLE ROCK BUILDING AND HOUSING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

## **MINUTES**

**May 12, 2009**

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The meeting of the North Little Rock Building and Housing Board of Adjustment was called to order by Chairman Davis at 9:30 A.M. in the Community Planning Office conference room.

### **Members Present:**

Tommy Cupples  
Brad Hughes  
Basil Shoptaw  
Karen Zap  
Philip Davis, Chairman

### **Members Absent:**

None

### **Staff Present:**

Shawn Spencer, Assistant Director, Community Planning  
B. J. Jones, Secretary

### **Others Present:**

Cody McCallum, Seiz Signs, 1231 Central Ave., Hot Springs, AR 71901  
Ash Patel, 2500 Main St., NLR, AR  
Samir Patel, 2500 Main St., NLR, AR

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mr. Shoptaw made a motion to approve the minutes with one correction. He noted that the name of the Chairman needed to reflect the current Chairman, Philip Davis.

Ms. Zap seconded the motion and there was no dissent.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

NONE

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. **BHBA Case # 526** – Cody McCallum, Seiz Signs Company representing Best Western of North Little Rock at 2500 Main Street – To allow wall mounted signs on the north and east façade of the building not facing street frontage.

Chairman Davis asked the applicant to state his name for the record.

Mr. McCallum explained that he is representing Best Western and asking for permission to place signage on the north and east elevations of the building for visibility from the interstate. He explained that they are already permitted for signage facing Main St but with so many other parcels surrounding them, visibility is poor.

Chairman Davis asked if that was his hardship.

Mr. McCallum replied in the affirmative and added that the pylon sign must have visibility from Interstate 30 or the business would be unable to lure patrons passing on the interstate.

Chairman Davis asked for staff recommendations.

Shawn Spencer replied that staff believes the request is reasonable.

Mr. Hughes asked how the requested signage compared to signs granted to other hotels in the area, but agreed that the applicant's location was difficult to see being in a comer.

Mr. McCallum noted that the only frontage was the hotel's driveway.

Mr. Spencer added that the Medicine Man Pharmacy is also going in the lot adjacent to the hotel, compounding the congestion.

Mr. Hughes noted that a bank would be in the same lot to only add to the confusion.

Mr. Davis noted that the variance had been granted to Bennigan's with the same difficulty regarding visibility.

Mr. Hughes formed a motion to grant the applicant's request.

Mr. Shoptaw seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous vote.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE:**

Mr. Hughes asked if there were specific codes to contain the Styrofoam shavings when a stucco building was being surfaced.

.Mr. Spencer replied that there probably was not for that specifically, but it would be addressed

under a more general nuisance code.

Mr. Cupples asked if the Board had been seeking a replacement for Mr. Hughes.

Mr. Davis replied that one had not been named as yet.

**PUBLIC COMMENT / ADJOURNMENT:**

Ms. Zap made the motion to adjourn at 9:40am and there was no dissent.

**PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_ RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

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**PHILIP DAVIS, CHAIRMAN**

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**ROBERT VOYLES, DIRECTOR**